

REMARKS

Claims 39, 41, 42, 44-48 and 50-55 remain in the present application for the Examiner's review and consideration, with claims 41, 48 and 50-53 withdrawn as being directed to non-elected species. Claims 1-3, 4-7, 8-38 and 49 were previously canceled, and claims 40 and 43 are canceled herewith.

The courtesy extended by Examiner Matthew D. Matzek to attorney Padma Shah (Reg. No. 54,437) during the telephonic interviews on June 16-19, 2009 is greatly appreciated. An Agreement with respect to the claims was reached during these interviews. This Agreement with respect to the claims is greatly appreciated, and the Applicant includes the substance of the interviews in the above amendment.

In light of the preceding, Applicant believes that the presently pending claims are in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be greatly appreciated. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney of record if he believes that such a call would materially advance the prosecution and eventual allowance of the present application.

It is not believed that any fees are required with the submission of this response. However, if any fees are due, the Commissioner may charge appropriate fees to The H.T. Than Law Group, Deposit Account No. 50-1980, and if any extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

Respectfully submitted,

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